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A Service to Celebrate the Life

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Vivenne Smyth
14th November 2023





Funeral Mass Church of the Nativity of Blessed Virgin Mary Chapelizod

> Saturday: 18th November 2023 10.00am

Celebrant: Father Eugene Taaffe

Entrance Hymn: Here I am Lord

Reader: Brian Halford

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John (14:1-6)

Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God; trust also in me. In my Father's house are many rooms; if it were not so, I would have told you. I am going there to prepare a place for you.

And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am.

You know the way to the place where I am going."

Thomas said to him, "Lord, we don't know where you are going, so how can we know the way?"

Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

This is the Word of the Lord Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm: Paul Smyth

Response: The Lord is my Shepherd; there is nothing I shall want

The Lord is my Shepherd, there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures, Where He gives me response. Near restful waters He leads me to revive my drooping spirit

Response

He guides me along the right path; He is true to His name. If I should walk in the valley of darkness, No evil would I fear. You are there with Your crook and Your staff; with these You give me comfort.

Response

You have prepared a banquet for me, In the sight of my foes. My head You have anointed with oil; My cup is overflowing.

Response

Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me, All the days of my life. In the Lord's own house shall I dwell, For ever and ever.

Response

Hymn: Nearer my God to Thee

Reader: Karl Smyth

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew (5:1-12a)

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he had sat down, his disciples came to him.

He began to teach them, saying:

Blessed are the poor in spirit,

for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are they who mourn,

for they will be comforted.

Blessed are the meek,

for they will inherit the land.

Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness,

for they will be satisfied.

Blessed are the merciful,

for they will be shown mercy.

Blessed are the clean of heart,

for they will see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers.

for they will be called children of God.

Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness,

for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are you when they insult you and persecute you

and utter every kind of evil against you falsely because of me.

Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.

This is the Word of the Lord Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation Hymn: Be not afraid

Prayers of the Faithful

As Christians our faith is in Resurrection and new life in Christ for all who believe; We pray that Vivienne is now sharing that gift of new life in eternal peace.

Lord, hear us

Lord, graciously hear us.

We pray for family and friends, and all who share their sadness today. May the Lord in His mercy comfort them in their loss.

Lord, hear us

Lord, graciously hear us.

We ask the Lord to bless all those who were kind and caring to Vivienne, especially the paramedics and medical staff at James Conolly Hospital.

Lord, hear us

Lord, graciously hear us.

As we gather for this Funeral Mass, may the Lord hear our prayer of thanksgiving for the gift of life, family and friends.

Lord, hear us

Lord, graciously hear us.

A Moment to remember all who have gone before us, especially Vivienne's and Paul's parents, into the presence of God.

Lord, hear us

Lord, graciously hear us.

Offertory Procession

Hymn: Ave Maria

Acclamation of Faith: He is Lord

Sign of Peace

Communion

Hymn 1: Amazing Grace Hymn 2: Ag Críost an Siol Hymn 3: At the End of the Day

Eulogy

Recessional: On Eagle's Wings

